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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS - BASIC LEGISLATION IN NEPAL

REF: GENEVA 5267, 5798; KATHMANDU 4649.

1. IN MEETING WITH KING BIRENDRA ON NOVEMBER 29, I MENTIONED PRESENCE IN KATHMANDU OF UN MISSION ON NARCOTICS DRUGS (REFTELS). I TOLD HIM THEY WERE, IN MY VIEW, HIGHLY QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS WITH BROAD UNDERSTANDING OF PROBLEMS OF CONTROL OF DRUGS AND COMBATING NARCOTICS MENACE AND THAT I WAS SURE NEPALESE OFFICIALS WOULD FIND DISCUSSIONS WITH UN TEAM MOST PROFITABLE.

2. I THEN ADDED MY STRONG HOPE THAT HMG WOULD ENACT BASIC NARCOTIC LEGISLATION AT FEBRUARY SESSION OF NATIONAL PANCHAYAT AS FUNDAMENTAL STEP IN DEVELOPING EFFECTIVE CONTROLS IN NEPAL. KING READILY ACKNOWLEDGED IMPORTANCE OF THIS, NOTING, HOWEVER, THAT PROBLEM WOULD NEED TO BE ADDRESSED OF PROVIDING ADEUATE MEANS OF ECONOMIC LIVELIHOOD AND SUPPORT FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO HAD BEEN RELYING UPON SALE OF CULTIVATED GANJA. I SAID THAT THERE WOULD NO DOUBT BE MANY PRACTICAL PROBLEMS IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DRUG LAW BUT THAT NO COUNTRY WAS IMMUNE FROM DRUG THREAT (TO WHICH KING AGREED) AND

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THAT BASIC LEGISLATION WAS A NECESSARY STARTING POINT

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